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POLARIZATION MODE DISPERSION COMPENSATING APPARATUS, SYSTEM, AND METHOD

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56.

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